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COUNTY OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

Superior Judge	Wm. S. Wells
County Clerk	J. E. Rodgers
County Recorder	A. E. Dunkel
County Auditor	A. J. Soto
Sheriff	R. R. Veale
Tax Collector	H. C. Raap
District Attorney	H. V. Alvarado
Treasurer	Geo. Wiley
Assessor	Henry T. Jones
Public Administrator	M. H. Hurley
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County Surveyor	Elam Brown
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County Physician	E. E. Brown
Supt. County Hospital	M. M. Taggart

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

Regular meetings, first Monday of every month.

First District	P. Tormey, Rodeo
Second District	J. M. Stowe, Walnut Creek
Third District	E. J. Randall, Concord
Fourth District	P. DeMartini, Clayton
Fifth District	J. D. Wightman, Lone Tree

TOWN OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

John Bermingham, Jr., M. Murray, B. W. Stevens, A. McDonald, W. A. Ray.

TOWN OFFICERS.

H. McCullough	Marshal
Sam. Bermingham	Treasurer
S. S. McKinley	Recorder
L. E. Hart	Clerk

POST OFFICE DIRECTORY.

Office open from 7 a. m. to 6 p. m.

Sundays from 7:30 to 10 a. m., and from 3 to 6 p. m.

The San Francisco mails arrive at 8:12 a. m. and 5:20 p. m.

Mails close for San Francisco, etc., at 8 a. m., 10:00 a. m. and 4:50 p. m. For Benicia, etc., 8 a. m.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE

(In Effect May 19, 1904.)

COMING WEST.

Leave Pinole—San Ramon Passenger 8:10 a. m., Martinez Local 9:55 a. m., Sacramento Passenger, 6:00 p. m., Martinez Passenger, 5:34 p. m.

Arrive in S. F.—9:25 a. m., 11:25 a. m., 7:25 p. m. 6:35 p. m.

Bakersfield passenger stops every day. Leaves Pinole at 3:38 p. m. and arrives in San Francisco at 4:55. Stops at Giant.

GOING EAST.

Leave San Francisco—Sacramento Passenger 7 a. m. Martinez Local 9:30 a. m. Sacramento Local 3:30 p. m. Martinez Passenger 7:00 p. m.

Arrive at Pinole 8:12 a. m. 10:40 a. m. 4:41 p. m. 8:10 p. m.

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(In Effect May 19, 1904.)

GOING WEST.

Trains leave for Oakland and San Francisco as follows:

No. 5, 7:40 a. m., No. 41, 9:56 a. m.; No. 7, 5:05 p. m.

Arrive at Oakland 8:27 a. m., 10:35 a. m. and 5:55 p. m.

GOING EAST

Trains leave Oakland as follows:

No 50, 7:30 a. m., No. 54, 4:30 p. m., No 56, 8 p. m.

Arrive at Pinole 8:34 a. m., 5:11 p. m. 9 15 p. m.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. W H. Baker is making a short visit at Hercules.

WANTED.—Good carpenters. Apply to Foreman Pfeiffer.

E. M. Carr visited friends in Pinole Friday last.

Mr. G. McKenzie who has been quite ill is now able to return to his work.

Miss Minnie Hanson of Giant attended the club dance Saturday evening.

Mrs. Sylvester spent Saturday night and Sunday with her sister in Oakland.

Mrs. L. McQuesten spent Saturday and Sunday in Oakland.

Foreman Stevens of the cartridge factory went to 'Frisco Saturday on business.

Mr. Ed Ebsen, of the Pinole times, has become quite a fisherman. He boasts of his large sized catches.

S. S. McKinlay and Joe Newfield took in the sights at 'Frisco Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Maud Dean is spending a few days with her sister Mrs. M. W. Donaldson.

Mr. Tom Shimmins returned from England Sunday evening. His many friends were very glad to see him.

Diamond rings were quite conspicuous at the Hercules Club dance Saturday night. A word to the wise is sufficient.

Mr. H. McCullough's cat succumbed to a dose of poison Saturday morning. Where does this "dope" come from.

One of the new packing houses is nearly ready for the machines. Work is being rushed so as to avoid the rains.

Abe Hitch and R. K. Smith returned Sunday evening from the Elmira Gun Club preserves with three geese and fourteen ducks. They report a fine time.

Ducks are reported plentiful on the Suisun marshes and preserves, and many were killed last week by San Francisco sportsmen.

Assistant Supt. Bermingham has issued an edict against shooting at the Rodeo dam except on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Fishing continues good at the C. P. W. wharf. Striped bass, perch and smelt are being taken in large numbers by the local anglers.

Mrs. John Bermingham, Jr, and Mrs. Rice returned from St. Louis last Friday night. Mr. Bermingham went down to Bakersfield to meet them.

The regular monthly dance of the Hercules Club was well attended and greatly enjoyed last Saturday evening. These social dances are a source of great pleasure to the young folks of this community.

Taxpayers of Supervisor District 4 by electing Wm. Buchanan to represent you on the Board you will materially benefit yourselves besides benefitting the county as a whole.

Who ate the plum butter?

The Rodeo Social Club will give a dance next Saturday evening.

Miss Carrie Hickman of Martinez is setting type in the Pinole Times office.

The 1st of November was ushered in by quite a heavy shower of rain.

Monday evening the small boy was in evidence with his usual mischevious Hallowe'en depredations.

There will be 256 young men in this county who will cast their first vote on the 8th inst. Boys be sure and vote right.

Mr. William Bacon, foreman of the N. G. house, who has been enjoying a vacation for the past two weeks, returned to Hercules on Monday.

The degree team of the local tribe of Red Men is to meet the Vallejo team in competative drill on Nov. 26th at Vallejo, for a $75 trophy.

Mr. John Brenzel, who has been visiting friends in Livermore and Oakland for the past two weeks, returned to Hercules Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fitch and Mr. and Mrs. Howard of Hercules have rented rooms over Lehman's store and will move over to Pinole next week.

Mrs. B. W. Stevens who arrived at Ashland Wisconsin last week, reports a light fall of snow at that place. Mrs. Stevens will start on her homeward journey in about three weeks.

Large bands of ducks can be seen from our office windows feeding in the San Pablo bay. A little rough weather and some rare sport is looked foward to by the local hunters from the blinds.

The new "Century" gasoline launch of Giant arrived at the Hercules wharf Monday at 6:40 p. m. with W. H. Hanson as star passenger. Billie reports a fine, swift ride.

Assistant Superintendent Bermingham hereby serves notice on all owners of guns, Joe Krantz in particular, that he has a Billy goat running at large somewhere on the ranch which he sincerely hopes they will not mistake for a deer.

On Tuesday evening a gasoline launch belonging to Andrew Aena, a San Francisco fish dealer, with a crew of five persons, took fire off Rodeo. Some Italian fishermen went to the rescue in time to save the occupants from a watery grave and the badly damaged boat.

Gwinnie Evans was bitten by an unlicensed dog last Sunday. Several attempts have been made to shoot the cur but have proved unsuccessful. There are about a dozen of these worthless animals hereabouts who need a speedy taking off. Mr. Marshal, do your duty.

The following gentlemen who constitute the Election Board at Hercules are hereby reminded to show up at the Town Hall at 5:30 next Tuesday morning: Ralph Robison, C. Ellerhorst, W. B. McKenzie, E. C. Ross, Tom Davenport, Sam Bermingham, W. Miller and W. A. Ray.

GOOSE SHOOTING IN REDVILLE.

We have listened to the tales of the Elmira Gun Club members of the rare sport and the wonderful bags of game that have been brought down at that famous preserve, many of which no doubt are true, but on Saturday morning last Joe Krantz made a shot and brought down a bird in Redville that skinned to death anything that Boysen, Billy Hanson or even R. K. Smith could ever boast of and it's a tie between Joe and X. Huber for honors. The facts, as related to us by an eye witness, are as follows:

At an early hour of the morning, while the vicinity of Redville was shrouded in a misty gloom and most of the inhabitants were wrapped in the arms of morpheus, Joe Krantz was up and doing, likewise his good wife and neighbor Jack Varney and the older gent. Varney as well. Mr. Krantz on looking out espied through the fog a "wild goose" or what he took for one, of monstrous size standing near at hand calmly gazing at the pond in the lumber yard. Joe knew it was a goose from the description that Huber had given of this specie of water fowl that abound at Elmira. His mind was made up in an instant, to procure his trusty gun from the house and sneak across lots occupied but a short space of time, and then the residents of Redville were aroused from their slumbers by a shot followed in quick succession by another, the goose, in his death agonies, with instinct true to his specie to save his carcass from the hunter, made for the depths of the pond, and plunging into the murky waters, gave up the ghost. At the first shot Varney on looking out sized up the situation and calling to his father he told him there was stew enough to last for a week floating in that pond and bade him to hike in the game. The old gent armed with a rake did a hot foot for the pond closely followed by Mrs. Krantz equiped with gum boots and a hoe. The old gent arrived the pond first and managed to land the prize, while Jack Varney stood up Krantz who almost dropped dead when Varney informed him that he had shot a tame goose that he (Varney) had purchased but the day before. The bird was a monster, and matters were amicably adjusted by the parties agreeing then and there to bury the hatchet and divide the spoils as it was a slight mistake and Varney was perfectly satisfied, Mrs. Krantz to pick the goose. The men went to their work, Joe at the machine shop and Varney at the shook factory, with visions of goose gizzard stews, roast goose, and goose al la mode dancing before their minds eye. During the course of the forenoon, some one mentioned the shooting incident of the morning, and the story finally reached the ears of the genial Assistant Superintendent, who by the way was the owner of two fine geese that he had been raising to pluck to make him a feather bed, an investigation showed the fowls to be missing and then things were doings in Redville an all over the ranch, tears were shed by the women and in place of feasts, warrants of arrests, prison and heavy fines flashed unpleasantly before the machinists vision, and it was with a sigh of relief when the whistle ended his day of torture. There were no arrests made, and the last we heard of the affair was a conspiracy to steal the carcass of this luckless victim of Joe Krantz's unerring aim from the oven of Mrs. McClain who turned out to be its rightful owner and to whom it was properly returned.

There will be a steamboat excursion to Sausalito Sunday. Fare for the round trip will be 75 cts. The boat will leave the C. P. W. wharf at 8:30 a. m. sharp.

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THURSDAY ..... NOVEMBER 3, 1904

Republican Ticket

FOR PRESIDENT,
THEODORE ROOSEVELT.
FOR VICE-PRESIDENT
CHARLES W. FAIRBANKS.
FOR CONGRESSMAN
JOSEPH R. KNOWLAND.
FOR JOINT STATE SENATOR
HON. C. M. BELSHAW.
FOR ASSEMBLYMAN
HARRY ELLS.

MURPHY'S IDEA?

According to the County Paper if the three Democratic nominees for Supervisor are defeated the tax payers will be up against it good and hard. In heaven's name how much more does Murphy expect us to stand without a change than that which we have as tax payers been up against for the past four years? This kind of "slush" will not help Wightman, DeMartini and Booth, and Murphy is only making a dying gasp when he utters such rot.

ANOTHER LIE NAILED.

When Murphy and the County Paper state that the Hon. C. M. Belshaw is not a resident of Contra Costa county they are stating what is untrue and what he and it knows to be false and absolutely without foundation. C. M. Belshaw is a resident of Contra Costa county and if Murphy asserts to the contrary he is most wilfully lying. An attempt to do dirty politics in behalf of Mr. Randall should be met with the contempt it deserves.

THAT WEIGHT INSPECTOR.

When the people of this county see a detailed statement of the cost of our genial Weight Inspector's salary and expenses, they will more fully appreciate how unbusinesslike have been the acts of our present Board, Supervisor Tormey excepted. According to Murphy, however, the Board used rare judgment in appointing an Inspector of Weights. We don't see it that way and believe that the people will be appalled at the manner in which defeated candidates are assisted by Democratic Supervisors at the county's expense.

RELIABLE information from Marin county places Belshaw's majority at 500 over Randall. How can Randall hope to overcome such popularity.

ROOSEVELT AND FAIRBANKS SURE WINNERS.

There is no question but what Roosevelt and Fairbanks will be elected by a very large majority of the electoral vote. Giving Parker New York with its 39 votes, Indiana with its 15 votes and West Virginia with its 7 votes, still leaves Parker shy 8 electoral votes. The fact that the Democratic National Committee discharged nearly all of its clerks would tend to show that New York is safely Republican. Again the Democrats claim Colorado, but that State will go Republican, as will also West Virginia. We predict that Roosevelt will win by 55 electoral votes. The New York Herald which has supported Parker comes out and frankly admits that Roosevelt will carry New York after having made a careful and inexhaustive canvas of that State. A glance at the electoral table shows all Southern States solidly for Parker, but every Democratic candidate for President for years has had the solid South, so this fact has no bearing.

IF it wasn't such a serious matter to the County Paper we would be inclined to take its editorials as jokes. The fact is Dear People Murphy will resort to all sorts and kinds of abuses, statement and canards to save his own neck. We admit that "self preservation is the first law of nature," but we do not admit that a person of Murphy's calibre has any right to abuse decent people, print untruths, and otherwise attempt to gain political strength unfairly even if it is a case with him of losing his all in the event of the election of a Republican Board of Supervisors. Murphy is condemned not only by Republicans, but by fairminded, upright Democrats. He has not confined his abuse to Republicans, but to all those whom his egotistical actions failed to impress. Men who know claim Murphy's days as a newspaper proprietor are over in this county for good.

Voters of Supervisor District 5 every vote you cast for John H. Trythall, the Republican nominee for Supervisor, is a vote for the welfare of your district and a benefit to the county at large in the way of a reduction of taxes and an economical and careful expenditure of county funds.

BEFORE this paper will again greet its readers election day will be a thing of the past, and we will undoubtedly have the pleasure of announcing the election of Roosevelt and Fairbanks as the President and Vice-President of the United States for the next four years. Never in the history of this great nation has a Presidential campaign awakened so little interest among the people, and from the nomination of Roosevelt by the Republican convention up to the present time it has been conceded that he would be elected by overwhelming majorities. The past four years of prosperity in our beloved land, under Republican administration, has satisfied the people and they seek no change from the Republican policy. The American laborer today is better paid than in any country in the world and the great masses of this class realize that it was and now is the Republican party which brought about and seek to maintain this happy condition of affairs by "protection to American labor an Industries." This is the present existing circumstances in the affairs of the nation to-day, and it is safe to say that we may look forward to another four years of prosperity and happiness by the election of the Republican candidates.

While we need no change in the government of the nation we do decidedly need a change in our county government, and good people of Districts 2, 4 and 5 it is up to you to elect Ralph Harrison, Wm. Buchannan and John Trythall to succeed Wightman, DeMartini and Stow, whose fame will go down to posterity for the extravagant and unbusinesslike manner in which they handled the county's funds, leaving her at the expiration of their terms of office with a depleated treasury and plunged so heavily in debt that it will take forty years to recover from the shock. Contra Costa is the second manufacturing county in this State and one of the richest agricultural sections as well, and there is no necessity for the taxpayers to be burdened with the present high rate except through the mismanagement of an extravagant and incompetent Board of Supervisors with which we have been beflicted for the past four years, and the taxpayers of the other districts who are powerless to act cry out to you good people of the 2d, 4th and 5th, to rise up in your might on the 8th of November and rid us of this evil. It is our right to ask it of you, and your duty as men to go to the polls and vote for Ralph Harrison, Wm. Buchanan and John H. Trythall for Supervisors, men of judgment, competency and business ability, thereby aiding in a common cause —that of economical county government. People of the 2d, 4th and 5th it is as much to your interest to elect the Republican candidates as it is to ours and we feel that we can trust you to release us from our present sad predicament.

Editor Murphy of the County Paper says that if Booth, DeMartini and Wightman are elected that the printing rates of the county will be revised. How about the rate for publishing of the proceedings of the Board, etc. Don't you think it needs a little "revising" also?—Concord Transcript.

If Ralph Harrison, Wm. Buchanan and John H. Trythall are elected, which no doubt they will be, about the first move they make will be the smashing of that "pap bottle" which the editor of the County Paper has sucked for the past four years by the indulgence of this "famous" Democratic Board at the expense of every individual taxpayer in this county, and to which he clings with a death-like grip in the hope that by the election of a Democratic Board that the taxpayer will be powerless to wrest it from his grasp. This "political pap" has been the consideration price for which the Democratic press has conducted a filthy campaign, slandered Republican candidates and lowered themselves in the estimation of all decent citizens, a fact alone that should cause the defeat of the men they advocate, but when it is a fact that the cost of printing the proceedings of the Board can and will be performed for just one-half its present cost, it is of material interest to the tax payers in districts 2, 4 and 5 to elect a Republican Board. Vote for Harrison, Trythall and Buchanan, taxpayers, and you will get a "revision" in the printing rates that will benefit you individually by lessening your taxes.

IF a Republican Board of Supervisors is elected it is a dead cinch that the county will be saved the salary of a Weight Inspector, which has cost us the snug sum of $2,246.93 in the last fifteen months. Another sample of Democratic extravagance.

FROM reliable reports received there is do doubt but what Trythall will win over Wightman by at least 100 majority. His opponent is making the fight of his life and districts which was heretofore considered his are now swinging for Trythall. His actions in the appointmentment of the Justice of the Peace lately have hurt his chances of carrying Antioch, which can now be considered safely in the Trythall column.

BILLY BUCHANAN, with the solid support of Black Diamond and Somersville behind him, and with the aid of friends, Capt. Ploog and others at Clayton, is making it so hot for Paul DeMartini that the latter has about given up all hope. He is making an uphill fight and meets with discouragement every day, which becomes more and more apparent as the campaign draws to a close.

NOTWITHSTANDING the County Paper's vain attempt to juggle with figures the fact remains that there is no money in the County Treasury and it does not explain to the satisfaction of the people how it is if the present Board of Supervisors are so competent why the Treasury is empty. Figures sometimes lie when arranged for that purpose.

IT is rumored that Mr. Randall had or was about to cancel all of his Contra Costa dates and devote his time to Marin county.

REPUBLICAN TICKET

For Electors of President and Vice-President of the United States.

(VOTE FOR TEN.)

WILLIAM S. WOOD.
ULYSSES S. GRANT, JR.
EDWARD SWEENEY.
CHARLES M. HAMMOND.
FRANCIS M. SMITH.
WILLIAM J. DINGEE.
GEORGE H. PIPPY.
MORRIS B. HARRIS.
CHARLES J. WALKER.
RICHARD MELROSE.

For Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.
(For the Unexpired Term)

WILLIAM G. LORIGAN.

For Member of the House of Representatives from the 3d Congressional District.

JOSEPH R. KNOWLAND.

For State Senator 9th Senatorial District.

CHARLES M. BELSHAW.

For Member of Assembly 22d Assembly District.

HARRY ELLS.

For Supervisor 2d District.

RALPH HARRISON.

For Supervisor 4th District.

WILLIAM BUCHANAN.

For Supervisor 5th District.

JOHN R. TRYTHALL.

On last Thursday night Oct. the 27th Companions of Webster Circle gave a reception to the two brides, Mrs. Chattleton and Mrs. J. Lucid. The lodge room and banquet room were beautifully decorated with flowers. Supper was served and afterward an impromptu entertainment was given. A beautiful old ballad entitled "Will You Love Them as Now," was sung by Mrs. Pausey. The Companions wish to thank Mrs. C. Lehmkuhl for the beautiful flowers she sent.

THE rumors that Mr. Stow was helping Mr. Booth have hurt that gentleman's chances of winning, and Ralph Harrison will be elected by a large majority. The people of his district are alive to the fact that in Harrison they will have a competent public official and one whose sole aim will be to conscientiously guard the public interest.

TO EDDIE CURETON'S REEL.

The pride of his heart, a brand new reel,
With a fancy brake of plated steel.
He showed it around down on the pier,
For we were fishing and sat quite near
To Eddie when he lost it

"Fellows I've hooked him," we heard him say,
This reel will hold him, fight as he may,
Then a sudden splash, he lost the reel,
In the slimy ooze we saw him kneel.
For he had leaped to save it.

Far, far out in yon majestic bay,
Where the striped bass are wont to play,
Where the white seagulls circle and scream,
And autumn clouds sail, as in a dream,
There lies our Eddie's reel.

And each afternoon he wends his way,
To the silent wharf, down on the bay,
And there on the pier with shoulders bent,
And hand o'er his eyes, the day is spent,
Mourning a rusty reel.

J. R. YOUGH.

Tom Millan makes his regular trips to the city. Look out for a splice.

On the Diamond.

On Sunday the last game of the season to be played on the Hercules grounds took place between the Gallagher & Marsh and Hercules nines, resulting in a score of 6 to 4 in favor of the latter. The game was well played by both nines, and the batteries on both sides did excellent work, as also did the out and infield. The next game will take place at San Rafael on Sunday, Nov. 6th, when Hercules will play the California Bowling Alley team for $150 side bet and winner to take all of the gate receipts. This promises to be the game of the season. Jack O'Connell will umpire, and the steamer Alviso will leave the C. P. W. wharf at 8:30 a. m. sharp. Following is the line-up of Hercules: Steffen, c; Smith, p; Sears, 1b; Hanrahan, 2d b; Boynton, 3d b; Robison, s.s.; McDonald, l. f.; O'Connell, c. f.; T. McKuhn, r. f.; Keeler, extra.

Tickets can be had at the Hercules Club or at Hutches' store, Pinole, at 75c. for round trip.

Following is last Sunday's score:

Hercules	AB.	R.	BH.	PO.	A.	E
McDonald, l f	4	0	0	1	0	0
Boynton, 3d b	5	1	1	2	0	2
Sears, 1st b	5	1	1	11	0	2
Hanrahan, 2d b	5	2	2	1	3	0
Smith p	3	0	2	0	3	0
O'Connell, c f	4	1	0	3	1	0
Steffen, c	4	0	1	7	0	0
Miller, r f	4	0	1	1	0	1
Robison, s s	2	1	1	1	4	1
Totals	36	6	9	27	11	6

G. & M.	AB.	R.	BH.	PO.	A.	E
O'Connor, s s	5	0	1	3	5	1
McQuade, 1b	4	1	0	9	0	0
C. Pingree, 3d b	3	1	1	0	1	1
Hess, c	4	0	1	7	1	1
DeBoom, 2b	4	1	0	1	2	0
W. Pingree, l f	4	0	0	0	0	0
Lawrence, c f	4	1	1	1	0	0
Cooper, r f	4	0	0	3	0	0
Pratt, p.	3	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	35	4	4	24	10	3

Runs and hits by innings—

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Hercules	1	0	0	1	2	0	1	1	*	6
Hits	2	1	0	1	2	1	1	1	*	9
G. &. M.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	4
Hits	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	4

Summary—Stolen bases, Sears, Boynton 2, Steffen, Miller, Robison, DeBroom, McQuade; struck out by Smith 6, by Pratt 7; passed balls Steffen 2, Hess 3; basses on balls off Smith 5, off Pratt 5; double plays, O'Connor to McQuade, Sears, unassisted; sacrifice hit, Robison; left on bases, G. & M's. 7, Hercules 7. Umpire O'Connell, scorer, Ingersoll, time of game, 1 hour, 55 minutes.

About four months ago it will be remembered that Alex Horne a boiler maker who was employed at the California Powder Works at that time was robbed out of quite a some of money at Mrs. Steele's Hotel. At the time suspicion rested upon a stranger about Pinole who slept in the same room with Horne, and who disappeared shortly after the robbery. Nothing was done at the time however, and the matter was almost forgotten, but last week Horne happened to run across this stanger in San Francisco and by shadowing him discovered his lost pocket book in the stranger's possession. Constable Collins was notified and proceeding to the city he arrested the man and brought him to Pinole where he was identified by Pete Jess as Horne's late roommate, this and the fact of having the stolen pocket book in possession point strongly to his guilt, and he was held to appear before Judge Enloe to answer to the charge.

Voters of Supervisor District 2 cast your ballots for Ralph Harrison and aid in electing a Republican Board that will insure us economical county government for the next four years.

RODEO NEWS.

Mr. Len McCloskey is thinking of leaving Rodeo in a few weeks.

Mrs. Silveria of San Francisco was visiting friends in Rodeo Sunday.

George Graham had a runaway last Tuesday while taking orders for groceries. His horse started down hill and upset the wagon and George received some scratches and now wears a plaster on his back. George is in rather bad luck.

Miss Clark has been very ill during the past few days.

The Rodeo Social Club will hold another meeting this Thursday evening, Nov. 3d.

Miss Mae Tompson was a city passenger Sunday.

Jerry Mahoney, and a number of his friends went to the Democratic rally at Martinez Saturday evening. Jerry says he had a fine time.

Mr. F. Delmonte has got his new boats ready for launching.

Herman Koppen and Peter Jess of Hercules were visiting in Rodeo Sunday.

Charlie Catt has not been seen for a long time at Rodeo. What is going to happen, Charlie?

Good Lord Jerry has got a five-eyed "pratatie" in his glass case which he captured in the wilds of Riley's patch. Jerry says it is a "true son of the auld sod."

The boys claim that Frank Higuera was a wall flower at the Martinez dance last Saturday night.

Miss Minnie Silva was visiting Pinole Sunday.

Amora Joseph of Berkeley was visiting Rodeo Sunday.

MARTINEZ NOTES.

[From Our Regular Correspondent.]

A box factory is being erected by W. J. Oltman on the Williams property near Estudillio street.

The delegates from the Martinez High School who attended the meeting of the Debating Society in Benicia last Saturday were Ramona Glass, Winnie Carpenter, Walter Stoddard, and Archie Tinning.

Martin Joost attended the Entre Nous cotillion given in the Maple Room at the Palace Hotel on Tuesday evening last.

A number of invited guests were very pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. A. E. Blum last Saturday evening.

Lucerne Wittenmyer of San Francisco came up last Thursday evening to attend the Republican meeting.

Everett Ludden came up from the city on Saturday evening to visit his parents.

Miss Tina Lohse of Ignacio valley was in town last Thursday.

Mr. J. O'Brien, proprietor of the Enterprise Dry Goods Store, died very suddenly on Sunday at the residence of E. R. Chase. He was sick but a few hours, and it is supposed that his death was caused by pneumonia.

Miss Ilene Wittenmyer entertained a number of her friends at a hallowe'en party on Monday evening.

On Friday evening of last week a reception was given at the home of Mrs. G. R. Upham in Alhambra valley in honor of Chas. Thissell who recently returned from the East.

Mrs. B. Campbell and Miss Lilly Olsen of Rodeo, paid a pleasant visit to the cartridge factory Wednesday.

DIED.—In Hercules, October 28, 1904, of strychnine poison, "Sport," a black Cocker spaniel, aged 7 mos.

He was only a dog, but in the short span of his little life this affectionate four-footed creature had gained for himself by his gentle, trusting manners a warm spot in the hearts of the men at the works, who ever had a kindly word and pat for "Sport." He was the property of Assistant Superintendent Bermingham, who greatly mourns his loss as does his entire family, and his little son Johnnie who was "Sport's" constant companion, as he returns from his daily visits to the little mound that marks his late playfellows resting place, asks his mamma "what kind of a flower will grow up from "Port's" grave, a sunflower or a dahlia."

WE wonder what Jim, Joe, Eddie and Paul expect to do with the printed matter now being got out by the Oakland Enquirer. Why didn't they get Murphy to print it for them? Beware of these circulars voters of the 2d, 4th and 5th. Don't be mislead by anything not properly gotten up and slung at you at the eleventh hour.

LODGE NOTICES

SHENENDOAH TRIBE, No. 121, I. O. R. M., meets every Wednesday night.
W. MAYER, Chief of Records. JOS. JOHNSON, Sachem.

HERCULES LODGE No. 21, K. OF P. meets every Saturday night at Foresters Hall, Pinole, Cal.
C. L. TOWNES, K. of R. & S. C. E. HOUCK, C. C.

PHYSICIANS

HERBERT C. WATTS, M. D.
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON
Hours, 1 to 3 p. m. Sundays by appointment. Office in Hospital Bldg., Hercules, California.

C. M. BELSHAW
(Of Antioch)
Republican Nominee for
Joint State Senator
Ninth Senatorial District, comprising the counties o Marin and Contra Costa.

Election Tuesday November 8, 1904.

HARRY ELLS
OF STEGE
Regular Republican nominee for
ASSEMBLYMAN
Election, Tuesday, November 8, 1904.

Notice of Meeting of Stockholders of Hercules Water Company, (a Corporation.)

OFFICE OF HERCULES WATER COMPANY.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the Hercules Water Company has been called and ordered by the Board of Directors of said corporation to be held on Tuesday, the first day of November, 1904, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at the office of said corporation in the Town Hall in the Town of Hercules, County of Contra Costa, State of California, said place of meeting being the principal place of business of said corporation and at the building where the Board of Directors thereof usually meets. This meeting is called for the purpose of voting upon the proposition of increasing the capital stock of said corporation from seven hundred and fifty (750) shares of the par value of one hundred dollars ($100.) each to two thousand, five hundred (2500) shares of the par value of one hundred dollars ($100.) each.

By order of the Board of Directors of the Hercules Water Company.

Dated: August 17, 1904.

B. C. CARROLL,
Secretary of the Hercules Water Company.

8-25-2m.

HERCULES NEWS.

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At HERCULES, CONTRA COSTA CO., CALIF

EDDIE TO TOMMY.

BLACK DIAMOND, Nov. 2, '04.

DEAR TOMMIE:—

I see by your last issue that you have again slopped over. If you would only quit talking rot about Belshaw and say more about what a fine Supervisor I am it would be more to the point. You claim Joe is going to win. I have just returned from Joe's district, and while I want Joe I must say it looks very discouraging. This man Trythall is giving Joe all he wants. The Republican press is showing up our record on the Board and you haven't sense enough to answer them. I know it is a hard job. Your editorial on the cost of the Court House is rotten, absolutely bad. If you can't do any better than that please cut it out. The Gazette will hit you an awful swipe for an answer to this. Again you claim that I am so popular. I tell you, Tommy, it is almost heart-breaking to see how unpopular I really am, and it would not surprise me a bit if Belshaw carried Concord. The people are wild over their taxes. I can't blame it on Jim because if I did I would admit that he handled me which he did to a very great extent. I should have staid with honest old Pat whose advice I turned down because I wanted to help Jim sell the poor farm at a big price. Jim has sense. He wouldn't run any more. Joe and Paul and I tried our best but he told us to shift for ourselves and now he goes East and leaves us in the hole. I think it a dirty trick. It is funny how little the leading Democrats help me. I wonder if it was because they dno't like your egotism, and Tommy I am about sick of it myself. Say, Tom, if the Republicans elect three Supervisors and as I am going back, we won't have any show to let you suck the "pap" bottle. Say Tom, why do you hint at Grand Juries? You know what will happen if the Judge gets mad. Cut it out. You always slop over when you get your cigar at the wrong elevation. I am discouraged beyond a doubt and wonder if I was handed a gold brick, it begins to look like it don't it? Tom, Joe told me to tell you not to say anything more for him. Between you and Lewis he has a hard time explaining. Better take my card out of the paper as I don't want to spend any more money. It has already cost me a lot and the campaign fund is being used by the Supervisors who need it badly poor fellows. Let us hope for the best on the 8th of November, but I can see nothing but defeat staring us in the face. I will not write again, and if "something drops" on the 8th, (and I can scarcely doubt but it will), I will flee to Salt River where I expect to meet you and the rest of the bunch, where we can console each other over our loss, brought about in a great measure by your mud slinging tactics, and while we are engaged in cleaning our bespattered garments to fit ourselves to again enter the walks of private life, you may sink into a repose you have so long needed, and which, by the way, if you had taken it in the start and continued throughout the campaign we might have possibly pulled through. But alas the flesh pots to us now are as nothing and the "pap bottle" with which we have so often soothed your plaintive cry will be forever dry. Tommy the scene is appalling and too sad for contemplation, but I am afraid that it is a cold fact. Yours in utter despair,

EDDIE.

DEMOCRATIC MEETING IN PINOLE

The Democratic rally in Pinole on Thursday last was fairly well attended. the audience as well as the managers of the affair were disappointed in not hearing some of the campaign spell binders. Mr. Randall made a talk along the general lines but made no answer to the charges that have been made against his record as a Supervisor

HARE AND HOUND EXCHANGE

M. NUGENT, Prop.

Wines, Liquors and Cigars. Steam a specialty.

NOTICE TO OWNERS OF DOGS.

All dog licenses expire June 30, 1904. Notice is hereby given to renew licenses at once. Same can be obtained at the storehouse.

HENRY MCCULLOUGH,
Town Marshal.

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First-Class in Every Respect. The Largest and Most Commodious Hotel in Pinole.

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P. CALOU, Pres. JOE MESPLOU, Vice Pres.
H. CALOU, Sec'y.

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WM. HUGHES, Agent for Hercules.
Office in Club Barber Shop.

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THE RICHMOND
UNION LAUNDRY

(INCORPORATED)

Richmond, California.

HERCULES LAUNDRY called for and delivered every Tuesday and Friday. Write your name and room number on bundle and drop in basket on boarding house porch and it will receive prompt attention and will be delivered in your room when finished.

J. J. DAVIS, Mgr. PHONE, BLK. 341.

THE ALWAYS BUSY STORE

Now is the time to buy your winter wear, such as

Underwear, Sweaters and Hosiery

Rubber Boots For Men, Ladies and Children

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Don't overlook our HAT, NECKWEAR and SHIRT Departments as they have just been refilled with New Winter Goods.

Suits Ready Made or Made to Order.

...AT CITY PRICES...

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PINOLE.

Special Closing Out Sale of Summer Goods

As we need more space for our Fall Line we are offering the following reductions:

FINE DESIGNS OF LINENS AND DRESS GOODS

Regular price 12½ and 15c per yard.....While they last 10c per yard
Regular price 15 and 20c per yard.....While they last 20c per yard
Regular price 25c per yard.....While they last 15c per yard

Also all designs and sizes of white and colored Shirt Waists

Regular price $1 $1.35, $1.50, $1.75, $2.00.....While they last 75cts.

A line of Ladies' Summer Under Vests, all sizes, in white, pink or blue

Regular Price 25cts.....While they last 15c apiece

We also have a big lot of Mason's Fruit Jars, and are offering same for

Pints 55c per doz.,; Quarts 65c per doz.; Two Quart 86c per doz
Jar Covers 25c per doz. Pure white Jar Rubbers 3 dozen for 25c

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A. Greenfield, - - Proprietor.